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IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re Application of:)
JAMES W. BAUMGARTNER ET AL.) Examiner: Michael T. Brannock
Application No.: 08/815,773) Group Art Unit: 1646
Filed: March 12, 1997)
For: TESTIS-SPECIFIC RECEPTOR) July 9, 2004

Commissioner for Patents
P.O. Box 1450
Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

PETITION UNDER 37 C.F.R. § 1.136 (a)

Sir:

Applicants, having filed a Notice of Appeal on March 24, 2004, hereby petition to extend the time to July 24, 2004 to file an Appeal Brief in response to the Office Action dated September 24, 2003. A check in the amount of \$420.00 for payment of the extension fee is enclosed. Please charge any additional fee required for the extension, and credit any overpayment, to Deposit Account 06-1205.

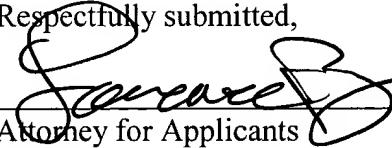
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